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In re application of

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Toshiaki TAKEZAWA et al.

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Serial No. 09/980,246

Group Art Unit 1651

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Examiner Vera AFREMOVA

TISSUE SECTION-CONTAINING CARRIER FOR CULTURE OF ANIMAL CELLS, AND METHOD OF USING THE CARRIER FOR CULTURE AND TRANSPLANTATION OF ANIMAL CELLS Mail Stop: AF

response under 37. GFR 1.116

expedited procedure

EXAMINING GROUP \_\_\_ LU51\_\_

## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 11, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: